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MARGARET ILGENFRITZ - ORCHIDS

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Dear Customer:

Here is the largest group of imported plants I have ever offered. There are many unusual and fine things in this list and I recommend that you place your order early since some species are in limited supply. The plants will arrive here in late March and will be shipped to you promptly. If you wish me to send proper potting mixture, add 50¢ per plant.

Cordially yours,

*Margaret Ilgenfritz*  
Margaret Ilgenfritz - Orchids.

*Aerides Fieldingii* - Fox Brush Orchid: Similar in habit of growth to *Vanda coerulea*. Flowers resemble Hyacinth bloom in shape and are usually light-purple. Spring. \$3.95

*Brassavola glauca*: A low-growing plant, producing a fragrant, almost always pure-white bloom of good size. Spring. 3.00

*Cattleya Acandiae*: Another unusual flower. Sepals and petals olive-green blotched with purple, lip magenta, blooms 3". Plant medium size. Summer 4.50

*Cattleya amethystoglossa*: A tall-growing plant, bulbs taller than the leaves. Flowers come in clusters of 3 or more and are a very nice rose-purple with magenta lip. Spring. 4.95

*Cattleya bicolor*: An unusual Cattleya. Bulbs are tall with shorter leaves. Medium-size flowers, the sepals and petals bronze-green with rose-purple lip without side lobes. Late summer. 4.50

*Cattleya Bowringiana*: Bulbs and leaves are unusual gray-green color. Blooms are a very warm rose-purple, lip much darker on front lobe. Each spike produces 5 or more flowers of about 3" Fall. 3.95

*Cattleya Forbesii*: Another unusual Cattleya. Bulbs tall with small leaves. Flowers are medium-size, 2 or more on a spike. Sepals and petals yellowish, lip yellow, streaked with red on the inside of side lobes. Spring and summer. 4.50



*Cattleya granulosa*: An unusual Cattleya. Medium-size plant spikes 3-7 flowered. Blooms are fleshy, about 4" in size. Sepals and petals olive-green, brown-spotted. Lip whitish, densely spotted with crimson. Late summer. 4.50

*Cattleya Harrisoniae*: A lovely little flower of lilac to magenta color. Several 3" blooms on a spike. Wonderful texture and long-lasting. A medium-size plant. Summer. 4.50

*Cattleya intermedia*: Another lovely flower of almost pure-white, flushed with rose, about 3" in size. Lip is rose-purple. Similar in habit to *C. Harrisoniae*. Summer. 4.50

*Cattleya labiata*: Considered by most people to be the best of the Cattleya species. Large flowers, several to a spike, of rose to purple with dark lip. Fall. 4.50

*Cattleya luteola*: Of dwarf habit, small flowers set closely on short peduncle, pale-yellow with side lobes of lip streaked with purple. Summer. 4.50

*Cattleya Skinnerii*: Similar in habit and coloring to *C. Boweringiana*, but blooms in early summer. 3.95

*Coelogyne barbata*: A lovely and popular species from Assam. Medium size bulbs, leaves 9-15" in length. Spikes nearly as tall as the leaves. Blooms about 3" across, pure-white, lip bearded with black-brown hair. Winter & early spring. 3.95

*Chysis laevis*: A somewhat deciduous plant. Spikes have 3 or more flowers of good size; sepals and petals orange-yellow, lip marked with crimson. Early summer. 3.00

*Cycnoches chlorochilon*: One of the Swan orchids. Medium-size plants. Racemes are several-flowered, large, yellowish-green, lip creamy-white with a blotch of black-green at the base. Summer. 4.50

*Cymbidium eburneum*: Very fragrant, creamy-white blooms are produced on erect spikes. The disc of the lip has a deep-yellow band down the center. Winter and spring. 4.95

*Cymbidium giganteum*: A quantity of nice-size flowers produced on long scapes. Sepals and petals are yellowish-green, striped with red-brown. Lip yellowish, spotted with bright-red. Fall and winter. 4.50

*Cypripedium caudatum*: A fine species. Native of Central America. Leaves about 15" long, scapes taller, 1-4 flowered. Flowers are large, upper sepals sometimes 6" long, creamy-white with greenish veins. Petals are ribbon-like, very long, brownish-crimson shaded with yellow at base, lip bronze-green. Spring and summer. Limited quantity. 5.00



*Cypripedium Fairrieanum*: Lovely little ladyslipper. A small plant throughout, requiring limited space. Dorsal sepal is white, yellowish-green at base, veined with purple. Lip is green flushed with red and veined with purple. Winter \$4.50

*Cypripedium insigne* var. *Harefield Hall*: Very well known, green, strap-leaved Cyp. which produces large, bold flowers in the winter-time. Dorsal sepal is yellowish-green, heavily spotted and chocolate-margined with pure-white. Pouch and petals are yellow-green veined with dark-green and suffused with brown. Winter. 4.50

*Cypripedium Spicerianum*: Green-leaved plant with lovely blooms. Dorsal sepal pure-white, green at base, almost completely recurved, giving a most unusual appearance to the bloom. Petals are pale-green, marked and spotted with purple. Lip brownish-purple. Winter. 4.50

*Cypripedium venustum*: One of the very nicest of the Indian Cyps. The foliage is mottled green on the upper surface and purple underneath. Blooms greenish striped with purple and warts on petals. Pouch has rose suffusion overall. Late winter and spring. 4.50

*Cyrtopodium punctatum*: A collector's item. Tall-growing plant, most unusual. Sepals and petals greenish-yellow with red spots. Petals marked basally with red. Side lobes of lip are chestnut color. Lip is yellow spotted with red. Often 100 flowers on a spike. Spring. 3.95

*Dendrobium formosum*: One of the evergreen Dendrobiums. A rather handsome plant even when not in bloom. Blooms are good-size, pure-white with orange disc in the throat. Extremely fragrant. Fall 3.95

*Dendrobium Jamesianum*: Similar in appearance to nobile, although stems are taller. Blooms large, pure-white with a cinnabar-red stain on the lip. Spring. 3.95

*Dendrobium nobile*: Very popular deciduous Dendrobium. Flowers in 2's and 3's. Blooms are showy, quite variable. Segments are white tipped with rose-purple, lip having a deep-crimson blotch in the throat. Late winter and spring. 3.95

*Epidendrum Brassavolae*: Stout scapes bear up to 20 flowers of clear-yellow with purple on tip of lip. Bulbs 9-15" tall. Flowers fragrant. Spring. 3.00

*Epidendrum vitellinum*: A somewhat dwarf plant, producing small, orange-red flowers of great beauty and long-lasting. Fall. 3.95



*Laelia crispa*: A very nice member of this family. Medium size plant producing 4 or more flowers to the spike. The sepals and petals are usually pure-white, sometimes flushed with pink, lip bright-purple with deeper veinings. Summer 4.50

*Laelia crispilabia*: Medium-size plant, reddish leaves, erect spikes bear 6 or more flowers about 3" in size of lilac color. Lip deep amethyst and white. Very crisped. Spring. 4.50

*Laelia flava*: Canary-yellow flowers. 8 or more 3" blooms to the spike. Summer and fall. 4.50

*Laelia rupestris*: Similar in habit to *L. flava* but dwarf. Spikes have several flowers, small, purple-violet in color with pale throat. Fall. 4.50

*Laelia superbiens*: Tall pseudobulbs with long scapes bearing up to 20 large, deep-rose blooms with rich-crimson lip, the disc of which is yellow. Winter. 3.50

*Laelia xanthina*: Another very nice yellow. Scapes are 2-5 flowered on medium-size plants. Medium size bloom, clear yellow sepals and petals with yellow lip veined and suffused with crimson-purple. Spring and early summer. 4.50

*Lycaste cruenta*: Dwarf habit. Many medium-size, fleshy, bright-yellow flowers are produced from each bulb. Spring. 3.00

*Miltonia cuneata*: One of the Pansy orchids. Medium-size plant produces scapes with 3 or more flowers of good size. Sepals and petals are chestnut-brown, tipped with yellow. Lip is white, narrow at base. Lightly rose-marked on the disc. Spring. 4.50

*Odontoglossum grande*: The perennial favorite. Easy to grow. Flowers are large and showy, sepals are bright-yellow, heavily barred with chestnut-brown. Lip is short, pale-yellow, blotched with red-brown. Fall. 4.50

*Odontoglossum maculatum*: A medium-size plant. Long scapes produce flowers about 3" in size. Sepals are dark-brown tipped with yellow. Petals yellow spotted on basal half with brown. Lip is yellowish-white spotted with brown. Spring. 3.50

*Odontoglossum rossii*: A lovely miniature, not over 6" high overall. Scapes have 3 or more flowers about 2-3" in size. Sepals are white or rose-flushed spotted with dark-brown, petals white, spotted on basal area. Lip is broad, white or flushed with rose. A very nice thing. Winter. 3.50



*Oncidium bicallousum*: Pseudobulbless, leaves are fleshy, about 10" long. Scapes about 18" long, sometimes branched. Flowers are medium size, sepals and petals yellow shaded with brown-green. Lip is spreading and bright-yellow, crest whitish dotted with red. Lovely and very showy. Winter. 3.00

*Oncidium Marshallianum*: Similar in habit to the *Onc. Rogersii* except leaves and scapes are longer. Flowers are large and variable. Sepals are yellow barred with reddish-brown, petals are bright-yellow centrally spotted with red-brown. Lip is large, spreading, bright-yellow. Early summer. 4.50

*Oncidium ornithorhynchum*: This is a beautiful sight in bloom. Many rose-colored flowers on a short spike, very, very fragrant. Rose-lilac in color. Winter. 4.95

*Oncidium varicosum, Rogersii*: One of the truly beautiful *Oncidiums*. A medium-size plant producing long scapes of beautiful Butterfly blooms. Sepals and petals are small, buttercup-yellow barred with red-brown. Lip is large, spreading, bright-yellow with dark-red stain in front of crest. Fall and winter. 4.95

*Vanda coerulea*: Very popular and well-known Blue orchid. Flowers large, handsome, light-blue in color with darker tessellations. Lip is smaller, deeper blue. Autumn. 4.50

*Cycnoches ventricosum*: Similar to *Chlorochilon*, but flowers are very sweet scented. Summer. 4.50

*Coelogyne nitida (rigida)* Similar in habit to *Coelogyne barbata* except that the white blooms have a yellow disc and edged with red. Late fall 3.95

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